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TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

Assignee, Sanofi-Aventis Deutschland GmbH, whose predecessor is Aventis Pharma Deutschland GmbH, duly organized under the laws of Germany and having its principal place of business at Industrial Park Höchst, Building K 801, D65926, Frankfurt am Main, Germany, through its attorneys, represents that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the instant application, Application No. 10/715,556, filed November 19, 2003, for NOVEL PYRIDAZINONE DERIVATIVES AS PHARMACEUTICALS AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM in the names of Swen HÖLDER, Thorsten NAUMANN, Karl SCHÖNAFINGER, David William WILL, Hans MATTER, Günther MÜLLER, Dominique Le SUISSE,

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Bernard BAUDOIN, Thomas ROONEY, Franck HALLEY, Gilles TIRABOSCHI, Cécile COMBEAU, Ingrid SASSOON, and Anke STEINMETZ, as indicated by executed Assignment recorded on September 16, 2004, at Reel 015791, Frame 0542 and Change of Name from Aventis Pharma Deutschland GmbH to Sanofi-Aventis Deutschland GmbH recorded on February 13, 2006, at Real 017256, Frame 0687.

Assignee, Sanofi-Aventis Deutschland GmbH, further represents, through its attorneys, that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to copending Application No. 10/715,358 ("the '358 application") filed November 19, 2003, for NOVEL PYRIDAZINONE DERIVATIVES AS PHARMACEUTICALS AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM in the names of Swen HÖLDER, Thorsten NAUMANN, Karl SCHÖNAFINGER, David William WILL, Hans MATTER, Günther MÜLLER, Dominique Le SUISSE, Bernard BAUDOIN, Thomas ROONEY, Franck HALLEY, and Gilles TIRABOSCHI, as indicated by executed Assignment recorded on May 19, 2004, at Reel 016057, Frame 0951 and Change of Name from Aventis Pharma Deutschland GmbH to Sanofi-Aventis Deutschland GmbH recorded on November 17, 2005, at Real 017032, Frame 0754.

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The undersigned is an attorney of record.

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